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COMMUNICATION CONFIRMING NON-ABANDONMENT OF APPLICATION

This Communication is submitted to confirm a March 19, 2002 telephone conference between Examiner John Brusca of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and Mr. Flynn Barrison of the undersigned's office during which Examiner Brusca stated that the subject application is still pending despite a December 14, 2001 Notice of Incomplete Reply which indicated that a further reply to a March 14, 2000 Notice of Incomplete Nonprovisional Application needed to be filed within the time period provided for responding to the March 14, 2000 Notice. However, the maximally extended time period for responding to the March 14, 2000 Notice expired on October 14, 2000, 14 months before the issuance of the December 14, 2001 Notice.

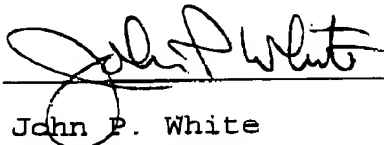
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Applicants understand that a new Notice of Incomplete Reply will be issued shortly.

Accordingly, if the foregoing information is not accurate, applicant respectfully requests that the U.S. Patent Office immediately notify the undersigned.

Applicants are today concurrently filing a Revocation of Power of Attorney and Appointment of New Attorney in connection with the subject application and request that the abovementioned new Notice of Incomplete Reply be sent to the undersigned.

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